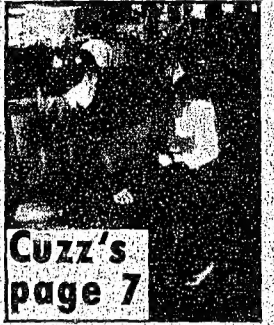


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**HOOFING FOR HOME.** Gateway Assistant Editor Kathy Slattery heads for the finish of her first competition, a 5,000-meter all-women run. See story, page 14.

## Committee tells council: Women need commission

By KATHY NISSEN  
Gateway Staff Writer

"It's appalling that a city the size of Omaha does not have a commission for women," said Virginia Roth Tuesday at the Omaha City Council meeting.

Roth is a member of a committee formed by the Human Relations Board to look into the possibility of reorganizing the commission for the Status of Women as part of the Board.

Roth detailed for the Council accomplishments of the commission since its formulation. The initiation of spouse abuse programs, rape programs and achievements made for women's athletics at UNO were listed.

She also commented on "severe discrimination" against female employees of the City of Omaha. Roth and two other members of the committee met with Mayor Veys to discuss these problems.

According to Roth, the Mayor realized the importance of the spouse abuse and rape programs (both of which have been reorganized and are operating apart from the commission) and informed her he would have the personnel director look into the discrimination problem in the City. If there was a problem.

Roth told the Council there were many additional problems of grave concern to Omaha women which would go unresolved unless a commission were formed.

Jill Fenner, last coordinator of the Women's Commission, said the need is great for the services provided by the commission. She said some of the programs have been channeled into other areas and many committees have continued to meet, however, they lack needed city support.

Many valuable programs and services have gone dormant since the resignation of the 33 commissioners in October 1977, according to Fenner.

Why did the commission resign? Doris Capps, a former commission member, said Mayor Veys put too many restrictions on them.

She said the Mayor wanted them to operate in an advisory capacity only and wanted to scrutinize all material used in speeches and presentations given to local groups.

According to Capps, the commission had operated for years prior to Mayor Veys' term in office and never got involved in political matters when speaking publicly.

"I've made hundreds of speeches and never embarrassed the mayor," She said many members are experts in fields such as banking and insurance and should not have to submit written scripts to be checked by the mayor prior to presentation.

The women decided to resign en masse to alert citizens of the problem and, eventually, arrive at a solution.

Capps said the commission listed all of its accomplishments in the letter of resignation and she felt much had been done. She added that Omaha's Commission for Women was rated the second best in the United States.

In discussing a new commission with the group, Roth stressed that the commission must be formed under a local branch of government to get state and national recognition; otherwise they would not be effective.

She said that the 40-member commission consisted of 11 committees, two task forces and involved 150 volunteers.

The actual operating cost of the commission was \$13,000, which included housing for the commission, a salary for its coordinator and phone services. This does not include expenses for the commission members or salaries for the members.

The City Council will vote again Tuesday on a resolution to reinstate the Commission on the Status of Women; however, they must override a veto by Mayor Veys which some commission members feel is an impossibility.

## Student agency requests show hike

By PAUL HAMMEL  
Gateway Editor

Student agencies at UNO will receive a budget increase totaling 8.5 percent in fiscal year 1979-80 if the UNO Student Senate gets its way.

The Senate, at its meeting March 22, approved the budget submitted by the Student Activities Budget Commission (SABC).

UNO student agencies are funded by fund A of student fee monies, formally called the University Program and Facility Fee (UPFF).

The recommended budget, after receiving approval from UNO Chancellor Del Weber and NU President Ronald Roskens, will be submitted at the April 21 meeting of the NU Board of Regents for its approval or revision.

Although the budget was unanimously approved, Senate discussion was not totally without controversy.

Sens. Gary DiSilvestro and Bob Mitchell both called for "yes" votes on the budget, but "with a great deal of reticence" and "deep regret" because of monies cut from the United Minorities Student (UMS) budget which was earmarked for speakers.

Senate Treasurer Mike Smith, chairman of the SABC, said the money was cut because the speakers seemed to violate Regent policy forbidding the use of student fee money for "controversial" or "politically motivated" speakers.

One of the UMS speakers was to be Andrew Young, the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

"When the U.S. representative to the United Nations can't even be approached (for a speaking appearance) because of the political nature of his presentation it is a pitiful mockery of justice," said

DiSilvestro.

After the meeting, DiSilvestro said the matter of student fee money for speakers would be discussed in the Senate's Academic Affairs Committee, of which he is chairman.

Generally, UNO student agencies, with the exception of UMS, received funding they requested.

Treasurer Smith said some travel money was cut from requests of both UMS and the Women's Resource Center. He said the SABC felt travel expenses could be requested from the Student Government's Contingency fund.

In two instances, budget requests were actually fattened by the SABC. Smith said SPO and the Student Government operating and salary fund were both increased to provide salary boosts for the SPO director and the Chief Administrative Officer, respectively.

He said the SABC felt that both positions had gained additional responsibilities justifying a salary raise.

No money was recommended for the SPO seed money account, said Smith, because \$6,400 remained from the \$12,000 seed money allocated last year and a re-allocation was deemed unnecessary.

Seed money is given to student groups for fund-raising activities.

In other budget developments, Vice Chancellor Ron Beer has sent his recommendation for Fund B budget requests to Chancellor Weber. His requests reflect no change from those reported in the March 23 Gateway.

Fund B requests will also be sent to NU President Roskens before being submitted to the Board of Regents at its April meeting.

### Proposed student fee allocations for fiscal 1979-80

	FUND A		percent change
	requested	amount recommended	from '78-79
STUDENT GOVERNMENT			
A. operation and salary	\$20,383	\$20,633	+6%
B. United Minority Students	\$12,810	\$2,250	0
C. International Student Services	\$4,550	\$4,550	-1%
D. Women's Resource Center	\$13,730	\$12,000	+33%
E. Contingency	\$25,000	\$25,000	+64%
GATEWAY			
A. Fall	\$13,800	\$13,800	+20%
B. Spring	\$13,800	\$13,800	+20%
C. Summer	\$4,350	\$4,350	+45%
D. Operating	\$14,095	\$14,095	+1%
STUDENT PROGRAMMING (SPO)			
A. Operating	\$76,290	\$76,790	+9%
B. Seed money	0	0	-100%
FUND B			
	recommended		percent change
			from '78-79
*STUDENT CENTER	\$365,000		
CO-CURRICULAR FUND	\$226,000		
MEN'S ATHLETICS	\$110,000		-4.5%
WOMEN'S ATHLETICS	\$71,000		+31%
HEALTH SERVICES	\$36,800		+35%
*ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	\$30,500		
*CAMPUS RECREATION	\$231,750		not allocated
	\$866,638		

\*Fees are a set amount. The Student Center is allocated \$17 from full-time fees of \$43 and \$8.50 from each part-time fee of \$25. Administrative costs are funded by charging 3 percent on each account handled by the Business and Finance department.



# Tougher admissions policy decision upcoming

LINCOLN — The University of Nebraska will wait until May to find out if stricter admissions policies will be adopted.

The NU Board of Regents, at its meeting March 24, postponed discussion on changing the current open admissions policy until its meeting May 18, after hearing a total of nearly five and one-half hours of discussion.

Regent James Moylan of Omaha had proposed a plan that would impose gradually tougher admissions standards beginning in the fall semester of

1980. Moylan's proposal called for students to meet any one of four criteria in order to enroll in 1980: a score above 750 on the SAT test or 16 on the ACT test; or a grade point average (G.P.A.) above 2.5 or standing in the upper two-thirds of their graduating class.

In the fall of 1981 the criteria would be an SAT score of 800, an ACT score of 17, a G.P.A. of 3.0 or ranking in the upper half of the class. Fall 1982 standards would demand higher scores on the SAT (850) and ACT tests (18).

Moylan's proposal was tabled when UNO Student Regent John Kirk called for a two-month delay in consideration of stricter admissions standards. Kirks' motion passed 5-3 with Regents Simmons, Wagner and Koefoot dissenting.

## Resubmit?

Moylan said Tuesday he did not know if he would resubmit the proposal in May.

The Regents earlier had been presented data from the UNL and UNO campuses concerning what effect restricted admissions would have on their respective campuses. Three criteria were considered in the campus studies: grade point average ("B" average or better), class ranking (upper half or top three quarters of the graduating class), and scores on the ACT tests (scores of 17 or 19).

The UNO study, done by the Office of Institutional Research, reported that selective admissions standards would have eliminated more than one-fourth of the 1978-79 freshman class. Enrollment of freshman minority students would be cut in half, the study said.

The UNO study went on to say that money received from

tuition could be cut by as much as \$581,175 annually after a four year period if stricter admissions guidelines are adopted.

Overall, the study said enrollment could be cut just over 8 percent after four years.

UNL officials said the current freshman class would be reduced by 11 percent and that total undergraduate enrollment could be cut by 7.7 percent after four years.

During discussions between the Regents, Schwartzkopf said he was opposed to restricting admissions.

"I don't see any great money saved and I don't see any great improvement in education," he said. "I'm more concerned about giving more opportunities to students instead of cutting down (opportunities)."

Other comments made by regents concerning stricter admissions:

## High Schools determine

Regent Robert Simmons of Scottsbluff — "Admissions standards currently are handled by the high schools of this state," he said, because NU accepts all students with a high

school diploma. Simmons said NU should set the standards since high school standards "vary from place to place."

The objective of the current policy, he said, "seems to be that we should keep the University of Nebraska of sufficiently low quality so that anybody can go." Restricting admissions, Simmons added, would be the "first significant step" in upgrading the reputation of NU, "especially the Omaha campus."

Regent Kermit Hansen of Omaha — "I'm a lot more comfortable about doing things internally than pointing fingers at others in the educational system," he said in opposition to a change. Hansen said minimum grade point averages required of NU students could perhaps be raised.

Regent Robert Prokop of Wilber — "The real crux of the matter is if we don't improve the quality of people we accept, the OPS (Omaha Public Schools) people won't work to improve their quality." Prokop added that NU should either restrict admissions or drop remedial courses.

## Student regent positions will remain unrecorded

The NU Board of Regents rejected a proposal by Omaha Regent Kermit Hansen to record the positions taken by student regents on actions of the Board.

The vote was four against (Schwartzkopf, Koefoot, Moylan, Prokop), three for (Simmons, Hansen, Rauri) and one abstention (Wagner).

After the vote, UNO Student Regent John Kirk said he was "astounded" by the board's action.

"Are we, the student regents, just token members placed on this Board or are we solely in a pseudo-official status to appease our respective student bodies' concern to have student regents on the Board?" he asked.

"If this is the case," Kirk added, "maybe I could save considerable trouble and preparation in coming to this meeting by instead placing a portrait of myself in front of my name plate. That way I can sleep late and catch a couple of holes of golf in the afternoon."

Regent Schwartzkopf responded by saying he preferred the old system of meeting with a group of students the night before the meeting.

Regent Prokop added that he thought student regents were already afforded the opportunity to voice their opinions.

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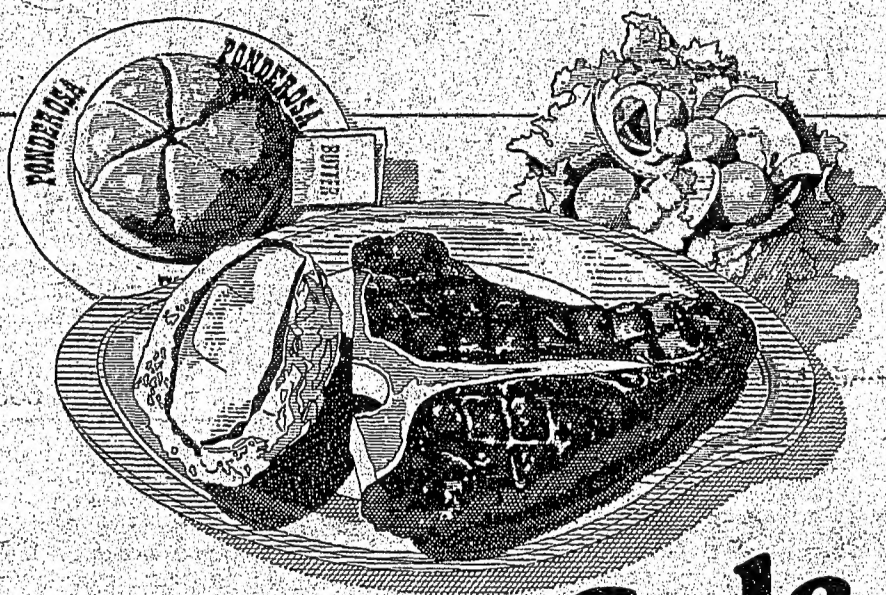
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# Tax expert advises: pay attention to details

Because April 15 falls on Sunday this year, the magic date for taxpayers has been shifted to April 16, and a University tax expert advises those who have yet to file to be prompt in completing their returns.

Burwell G. Beaman, associate professor of accounting, said paying attention to the usual details will benefit student taxpayers more than looking for loopholes or extra deductions. "College students," he said, "would not have many of the typically deductible items."

He did note the cost of child-care may be deducted while the parents in school. Burwell also said the interest on educa-

tional loans can be deducted, and student parents with income under \$8,000 can qualify for the earned income credit.

However, additional benefits designated for college students are minimal. Students attending at the expense of employers for the purpose of updating or maintaining work positions can deduct fees and even travel costs, said Burwell. Most students, he said, are in the process of career preparation and, thus, are not eligible for most claims.

Burwell said the student's wisest move is to double-check the obligatory tasks which are often overlooked. Many people, he said, take some of the directions

on the income tax form for granted.

For instance, forgetting to attach W-2 forms calls automatically for something everyone dreads - an audit. Also, failure to sign the return can lead to a considerable delay of the refund check.

Burwell urged consideration of seemingly insignificant details such as using the proper envelopes, using the correct forms and filing status, and using the pre-printed labels sent by the government.

The notion that a return filed this late will mean a long refund delay is not necessarily true, said Burwell, but he warns against flirting with the filing deadline.

"There can be a substantial penalty for late filing," he said, adding that charges for late payment can be tacked on.

Revisions were made in the tax law in 1976, said Burwell, and taxpayers can gain assistance from Internal Revenue Service offices. The need for studying the changes exists because, Burwell said, "The complexity of the tax law dictates that people will make mistakes."

Burwell also offered advice to those seeking outside help in preparing their returns. In choosing a tax preparation company, he said, taxpayers "should use the same criteria they use in choosing any other professional service."

## Spring brings tornado guidelines

Spring means another tornado season and while most students are aware of home safety hints, few probably know the University guidelines on tornadoes.

"If we were faced with a tornado watch," said Charles Hein, director of University Relations, "the University would continue to operate as usual." He added that campus security would monitor the progress of the storm by radio.

Hein said under a tornado warning, regardless of who spotted the tornado, everyone on campus would be advised to seek shelter until an all-clear signal sounds. The University uses the same civil defense system as the City, Hein said.

Nearly all buildings on campus are considered shelters, Hein said, except for the Fieldhouse and temporary constructions, such as an annex or quonset hut. The ideal place in a building is a windowless, interior corridor on the lowest floor.

People are not allowed in boiler rooms or electrical switch-areas, Hein said, because damage to the building could make these areas dangerous.

The procedure for seeking safe shelter was last used during the tornado of 1975. "People responded very well," Hein said.

## Weber, Gouttierre visiting Japan

UNO Chancellor Del Weber and Thomas Gouttierre, dean of international studies, are currently visiting Omaha's sister city.

Weber and Gouttierre are visiting Shizuoka, Japan as part of a delegation accompanying Omaha Mayor Al Veys and other city officials.

The trip is more than a goodwill gesture as participants will meet with Japanese business leaders. The trip will make stops in Tokyo, Kyoto and Japan.

The two are expected to return April 15.

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# 'Nukes' pose unanswered questions

The recent accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant near Harrisburg, Pa., has graphically illustrated the many unresolved questions associated with atomic power.

Ever since the dangerous mishap occurred last week uncertainty — over the accident's effect on health and how to cool the damaged reactor core — has been the order of the day.

For instance, scientists can measure the amount of radiation leaked from the plant but disagree widely about how much radiation at what rate is harmful.

They are not entirely certain how the radiation is harmful to the human body; just that it is.

They do assure us, though, that the effects of the accident will eventually be known — in twenty years, when/if an increase in the cancer

rate is noticed in the area.

The "event" itself was something nuclear engineers had not planned on.

At least two critical human errors in shutdown procedures at the plant, and the unexpected formation of a hydrogen and oxygen gas bubble in the reactor have hampered efforts to stabilize the plant.

Even when the uranium core is finally cooled to a safe level, many complicated problems remain including how to safely remove hundreds of thousands of gallons of radioactive water in the plant and how to lower deadly levels of radiation (estimated at 75 times the toxic dose) from the reactor containment building.

The problems at Three Mile Island have also been clouded by conflicting reports from power plant officials, Nuclear Regulatory

Commission authorities and the press, as to the actual degree of the emergency.

When dealing with a power as potentially dangerous as nuclear reaction, shouldn't all questions of health and safety be answered before more power plants using this energy are built?

Nuclear power plant operators counter with safety figures that predict the chance of a core meltdown (the worst possible accident) as one in a million years.

The catastrophic implications of that remote possibility, though, dictate that extreme caution and possibly a moratorium on construction be implemented before more "nukes" are built.

In the wake of the increased awareness about the dangers of nuclear energy, public safety demands it.

# Conscripting money preferred to draft renewal

Immediately after three of this century's four major wars, the United States ended military conscription. Only after Korea, with the continuation of commie-phobia, was the martial spirit able to overcome a commendable disinclination by the families of America to have their sons serve.

Most dangerous jobs in our society are extra well paid. If Hollywood stunt persons make more than coal miners and the high iron men who build our bridges, the latter occupations are better compensated than other industrial workers. Yet we grouse at paying soldiers a competitive wage.

home get soldiers without having our taxes raised.

To gain the support of people who don't particularly like a military draft, some people are advocating a universal service system. Under this proposal everybody gets drafted, boys and girls, with no deferments for college or anything else. Once drafted, the conscripts may choose between being inducted into the military or "community service."

Translated into jobs that means you serve for a year or two as a candy stripper in a hospital or an attendant caring for the aged and infirm.

Again, a massive infusion of cheap, practically free labor into our medical system has a lot of advantages. It means hospital cost containment can be gotten around, with doctors continuing their system of fraudulent billing and the medical equipment industry continuing to sell unnecessary equipment to institutions which don't need it.

These arguments aren't going to impress many. They are drawn to the idea of service, that you should give, voluntarily if you will, by coercion if

you won't, to the society which nurtures you.

The best and the fairest way of giving is by taxation, of course, because it allows each to contribute according to his resources, to a fund that will buy services used by all. Conscripting money rather than people also puts some limits on the power of the federal government, which everyone seems to think is large enough.

Nevertheless, the compulsory volunteer corps continues to have a robust attraction for both the idealist and the person who believes in a certain sort of drilled social discipline. They should remember that there was a word in olden times for people who had to give forced labor to the state. They were called serfs.

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Now, however, the pressure is on the rise to reinstitute the draft. The civilian officials at the Pentagon haven't yet embraced reimposition but the top brass has come out for it as have a growing number of civilian politicians, especially of the conservative stripe, in both parties.

That in itself is a turnaround from an older conservatism which saw Midwestern Republicans and Southern Democrats opposed to forcing young men into the service on constitutional grounds. In those days the draft was regarded as a liberal idea pushed by proponents of a strong federal government. They were opposed by Jeffersonians who thought the best government is the least government and by the immigrants from central Europe who had left their homelands because, among other reasons, they did not care to be conscripted into the armies of the Tsar and the Kaiser.

The modern conservative is quite different. He is endlessly and often correctly solicitous of the loss of freedom of action suffered by businesses through the more idiotic forms of government regulation. Any loss of freedom suffered by individuals at the hands of the self-same government is of no interest to him. He can see nothing objectionable in taking a young man who has been charged with no crime, convicted by no jury and sentenced by no court and depriving him of his freedom to make him serve in the Marines — at low pay and grave risk — for two years.

In today's market it probably would cost us \$100,000 a year to get a really first class infantry man. But we don't pay our soldiers anything like that and then when we get recruits of less than the first quality we kvetch and moan. We don't want to pay the taxes necessary to hire really fancy-dancy type kids to shoulder the M-16s.

So to get the \$100,000 talent for ten grand we resort to the draft. Go to the army or go to jail and the rest of us who stay



**Ariel** By Dave Coverly





# Thoughts on death are contradictory, limiting

Let's talk about death for a while, shall we? (Oh no. This isn't going to be another one of those sick and tasteless columns, is it?) No. We're talking about the sick but not so tasteless (hopefully) topic of death or, rather, limitations. Death is the limit, and every good columnist knows his or her limitations.

"The Deer Hunter" got me thinking about this. Critics have made much ado over the powerful Russian roulette scenes; how they portray the ultimate absurdity of war and all that. More importantly for me, however, is the way the film had me rethink limitations.

The brain has a similar cellular makeup and consistency as that of hot Mayo. This makes the organ a much more fine ob-

ject for playing Russian roulette than for thinking. Even before seeing "The Deer Hunter," I knew I could never have the courage to perform such a feat.

About the time I was at the radical age of 19 and the Viet Nam conflict was in full scale, I gave serious thought to becoming an expatriate. After seeing this film, however, I don't now think I could conscientiously object to blowing off a gook's or an arab's head, when my number comes up.

We are a bundle of contradictions, aren't we? I viciously oppose, at the same time, a peace-time draft. It's downright illegal, according to how I perceive the 14th Amendment. I'm morally opposed to killing a human being and to capital

punishment. I'm sure, though, that if ever pushed to revenge or the straw-dogs limit, I could kill someone with no intellectual or moral problems and with no remorse.

I really have nothing against deerhunting, but I will never take part in the murderous stalking of a majestic buck. No, the limit for me is blowing the heads of helpless pheasants and snagging trout and bass.

I have never seen a good ol' Louisiana cockfight but would like to. I simply can't hold any sympathy for a rooster, even if he is tearing the hell out of another with razor blades attached to his spurs. On the other hand, a dogfight seems a much more vicious pastime, and the promoters of such

things ought to be put to death (I know that's a contradiction, but I needed a hyperbolic effect).

There are other limits, too, but they've more to do with the

For the life or death of me, I don't know where I'm going with this discussion or how to end it. Perhaps it's just the sheer powerfulness of "The Deer Hunter" that got me think-



mike butler

patience of a person. Anger swells to violence when I hear yet another news story on B.C. Dressed Beef or a Charmin commercial. And the list goes on.

ing again, after a long lapse. But, then again, I always think about death during the spring months. Every good person should know his limitations. And contradictions.

## letters

Letters to the editor are welcomed. They must be signed, but noms de plume can be used upon request. All letters are subject to editing and available space.

Dear Editor,

In response to your editorial which appeared in the March 21st issue on the topic of 90th Street, I must question your research of the facts which developed your conclusions.

The decision by the Omaha City Council to improve the section of south 90th from Dodge to Center to a 28 foot wide two-lane occurred on July 11, 1978. Hardly last fall as you stated. The decision by the City Council was the third similar decision reached by prior City Councils. The unanimous decision was not reached by intense lobbying by the "Friends of 90th Street," as you stated, but by the democratic process whereby the proponents of a 4-lane provided a 45 minute presentation countered by an equal 45 minute presentation by the proponents of a 2-lane. Give the City Council some credit for

intelligence to logically render a decision.

If you would call the City Council Clerk you could obtain a copy of the entire 2-lane presentation entered into public record and presumably the 4-lane also. With that documentation in hand an intelligent conclusion could then be reached. You would find in the 2-lane record a 32-page report that addresses 8 topics on the need to improve this stretch of street.

A 4-lane would cost the City (we the taxpayers) nearly 2 million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) more than the wide 2-lane.

I question our priorities of spending this amount on a single residential street. Surely there are other streets in Omaha that could use improvement. The other topic addressed is the need for a major North-South arterial as supposedly none exists between 72nd and 1-680.

Why is this a real need? Where is the traffic coming from and where is it going that this need is of utmost concern?

Where are the major north-south arterials east of 72nd? Does 60th bisect the City? Does 42nd? Why is there not a clamour of concern for these? Off the "top of the head" statements are not satisfactory when the resulting conclusion has potential detrimental consequences. Drawings of the 4-lane plan indicates 380 trees would be destroyed.

I make note of your reference to the "Chuckhole of Chuckholes," specifically the 1/2 block stretch south of Hickory Street. This segment is the result of a free experimental process provided by the City by a firm which had consistently failed to prove the viability of the process to the City of Des Moines, Iowa. How this could be associated with the controversy of wide 2-lane vs. 4-lane is beyond me unless the test was vindictive in nature.

What a dichotomy we have in this situation! On one hand we see a street that for years has been left to deteriorate to the deplorable condition it is in now despite tremendous efforts by the residents along the street demanding im-

provement. On the other hand we hear the street is very important and has a need for a fast moving high volume capacity. Why must the improvement be 4 lanes or nothing at all?

One final comment about the waiver from State Officials for the construction of a 2-lane. It has been said that existing traffic counts (by the City, not the State) requires more than two lanes. Yet a narrow dilapidated 20' wide roadway is able to handle the volume. A raw application of the numbers game would mathematically result in Dodge Street being constructed to a width of 12 lanes.

We see, however, the City was able to reconstruct Dodge between 76th and 87th to 6-lanes. How?? Could it be a ploy by certain individuals to yet prolong the process and "pass the buck" to a State Board? How can an issue that has been won so many times by the residents still continue to lose??

Gene Snitily

Editor's note: Mr. Snitily lives on south 90th Street.

## Correction

The UNO Alumni Association has not passed a resolution opposing stricter admissions policies. A story in the March 23 Gateway indicated that they had.

Also in previous Gateways Student Senators Bob Hammond and Tom O'Connor were reported to have vacated their Senate seats due to questionable eligibility.

The two seats weren't actually vacated and the senators were given an opportunity to request a waiver.

Hammond was found eligible, with a grade point average over a 2.0.

O'Connor was found ineligible.

## Remember...

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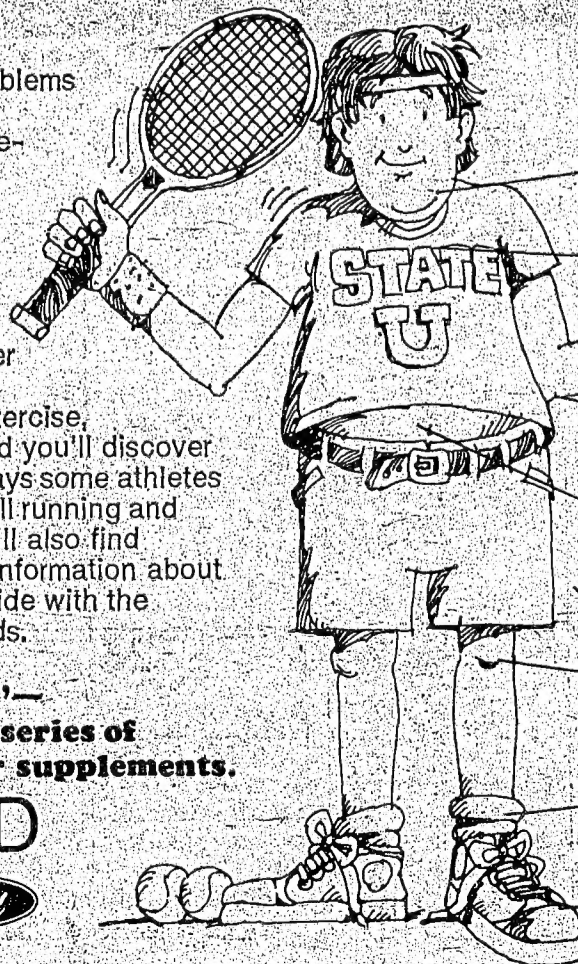
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## A 'comfortable' alternative...



## ...is CUZZ's

By DAVE CROY  
Gateway Staff Writer

Tired of going to discos with prefabricated carpeting-on-the-walls atmosphere?

Tired of fighting a mob of hundreds of stumbling inebriated people in an overheated smoke-filled room where the music is so loud it seems your head is going to split and fall from your shoulders?

Well, if you are, you might be inclined to ask, "What are the alternatives?" Sure, there are plenty of pubs with nice atmosphere and quality drinks, but you can't dance at them.

According to Joe Cascio, Jr., those are the problems that Cuzz's in the Old Market was designed to solve.

Cascio, who manages the downtown restaurant discotheque, said the club was designed to accommodate about 300 people comfortably.

"We try to keep the crowd regulated that way," Cascio said. "If you see a long line out front, that's why. We don't want to spoil things for the people inside by crowding as many people as we can into the place."

The disco, which opened in November, has two levels. The restaurant is located on the upper floor and has a menu consisting mainly of sandwiches and short orders.

However, Cascio said beginning April 15, the upper level will be operated by Godfather's Pizza.

"Godfather's will operate in conjunction with the disco," Cascio said. "That way people will be able to come in to dance and go upstairs for a pizza, or come in for a pizza and come downstairs and party afterward."

Until now, Cuzz's has been open Tuesday through Saturday, but Cascio said business has been extremely good and that in about two weeks the club will be open every night. Cascio attributes the success of the club to its atmosphere,

which he describes as "informal but classy," and to the "Thursday Night Live" program during which KOIL radio broadcasts live from the disco. "The place is packed from Wednesday night on," Cascio said.

The disco and restaurant are done in wood and brick. In the restaurant, there is a long old-fashioned bar and the room is surrounded with booths. Downstairs, there is a rectangular bar with tables along two walls spreading out toward the middle of the room. The hardwood dance floor is semicircular and in a corner. It encompasses about a quarter of the room.

The walls adjacent to the floor are lined with mirrors and flashing lights, and a neon target arrangement on the ceiling above the floor provides additional lighting.

The speaker system is suspended from the ceiling in the center of the room and faces the corner. Consequently, the sound is loud enough for the dancers, but does not inhibit conversation among those seated at the tables.

Cascio said that while there is no strict dress code, discretion is used, and those clad in dirty or ragged clothes are not permitted inside.

"We just want a nice crowd. We try to keep out troublemakers. We don't want a few spoiling things for the many."

In regard to drinks, Cascio said that they serve just about anything, and that the prices are about twenty-five cents lower than most of the clubs around. There is a one-dollar cover charge Thursday through Saturday nights.

Cascio said that the crowd is predominantly early to mid-twenties, and that the music played is mainly disco. There are, however, occasional requests for oldies, and the D.J. tries to accommodate them. "We also play some easy rock," Cascio said.

"We just aim for a nice crowd in a comfortable environment," Cascio said. "We want everybody to have a good time."



—Kevin Anderson photos



## film

### Cloak and dagger fans skip 'Murder by Decree'

Beware, cloak and dagger fans, if you expect to find the detectives' Hall-of-Famer, Sherlock Holmes, at his sleuthing best in "Murder by Decree."

Instead, you'll find an excess of dagger drowning the bit of cloak in the Len Heberman production. The cast, billed as an excellent international one, is both. However, some of the cast is wasted in senseless and non-descript parts.

For example, Donald Sutherland plays a psychic who, one guesses from the star billing, must play an important part in capturing the evil "Jack the Ripper." But Sutherland spends his few minutes in the movie mumbling a recollection of his vision of the murderer's face, searching in vain for the ruthless killer after a savage slaying, and drifting out of the picture without accomplishing a thing through psychic powers.

Also, the women in the movie may just as well have been mannequins with blood pellets attached. The only ones not being slashed to death were a few street wenches and Genevieve Bujold, who becomes a blithering maniac imprisoned in an asylum.

The underplay of certain characters was not, however, as unfortunate as the gross overkill (an appropriate pun in these circumstances) of Sherlock

Holmes, played well enough by Christopher Plummer.

The movie was, all things considered, effective enough to keep the audience tense. Excitement, mostly of the blood-and-guts variety, abounded.

But it was so distressing to find Holmes unable to do more detective work than Barnaby Jones does between milk breaks.

Give Plummer another shot at a more intricate web of intrigue, and mystery fans may forgive Holmes in "Murder by Decree" for his showboating.

The movie is rated PG because of the spate of blood across the screen. Don't drag the kids along, the language level is much too high to impart anything meaningful to them. The movie now shows at the Six West and Park 4 theaters.

— Mike Kohler

## albums

### Rumor's latest is distressing

The last track of Graham Parker and the Rumour's new album, *Squeezing Out Sparks* is "Don't Get Excited." Ironically, it suggests the song's effect on the listener. The record is nice to hear a few times, but isn't worth further investigation.

By changing recording labels (from Mercury to Arista), and bringing in Jack Nitzsche as producer, Parker is trying to clear the block on his career that his last record, the disastrous *The Parkerilla*, gave him.

Unfortunately, Nitzsche isn't of much help. With engineer Mark Howlett, he gives the album a clear, clean sound but misses the ragged, churning edge that the band needs. Rhythm guitars and Bob Andrews' keyboards, used to fill in arrangements, often sound overly pretty.

The Rumour itself also contributes to the problems of this record. The musicians play well, but never push to the limit. At best they sound merely professional.

Their arrangements are unimaginative — nothing grabs the listener.

Probably the biggest single problem with *Squeezing Out Sparks* is the songs. The album contains not one compelling composition. This is

distressing since Parker has written some fine pieces previously.

The composer of such first-rate pieces as "Heat Treatment" and "Pouring It All Out" fails dismally here. His songs don't develop — they digress to the repeating of a key line, a device that simply doesn't work this time because the lyrics aren't really evocative, and the melodies are stale.

In addition to this, Parker's singing at times seems close to pointless. In the ballad, "You Can't Be Too Strong," the singer strains to put meaning into a clichéd song. He achieves only laden melodrama.

Even worse, when a song like "Passion Is No Ordinary Word" promises action, the singer falls short.

It's hard to imagine that *Squeezing Out Sparks* will gain Parker a greater following. He insists on recording his own now-dull compositions, resulting in an album of consistent mediocrity.

But I'm still convinced that Parker can be a strong singer — if he tackles a worthwhile song. He may do well to cover other writer's material (like Rod Stewart did early in his career) rather than strain to produce originals.

— James Williamson

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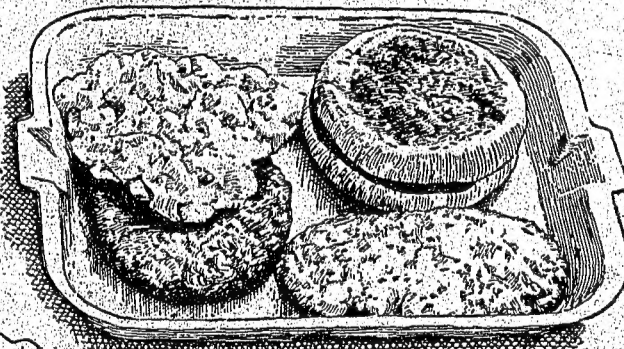
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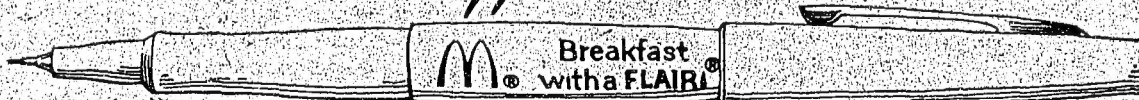
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## rock comment

# Beatles memories should rest in peace

Ten years after the breakup of the world's most over-rated rock band, the myths die hard. The old argument about who is the greatest — the Beatles or the Stones — always a pointless question, seems even sillier these days.

The Beatles may have had a more profound cultural impact,

but the Stones, throughout the '70s, have proven their staying power. Longevity itself, of course, is not an accurate barometer.

Yet the Stones remain important, influential artists while the Fab Four, their aura slowly fading, have dug their own graves — their solo careers.

All the Beatles' reunion talk, which has died down recently, had a curious tinge to it. Money, not music, was the prime factor. The Beatles themselves — the legend — were what the promoters wanted.

Sadly, as solo artists the Beatles lost their mystique; they lived on past accomplishments. Even today, they continue to churn out one meaningless album after another.

From the ridiculous to the reticent, let's briefly consider their individual careers.

**Ringo:** Always the least consequential of the four, Starr has forged a career as an innocuous pop singer. He did a TV special a few years back in which he tried to pass himself off as the next Sinatra. His old image, however, exuded too much charm to put him into Sinatra's bad-ass league. Ringo remains the foolish fop he portrayed in early Beatles movies.

**George:** Never a heavy thinker, though he declared himself such, Harrison has gone steadily downhill since his *All Things Must Pass* album. At one point, he stooped so low as to record an album, *Dark Horse*, when his voice was just that — hoarse. Not a very funny joke if you bought the album.

Harrison's religious songs are cloyingly naive, and when he lost a court battle for copying the lick to "My Sweet Lord," he responded with the whining, self-righteous "This Song." Buy his new album only if you wish to contribute money to another Hare Krishna house.

**Paul:** The most financially successful of the ex-Beatles, McCartney has built his solo career around easily forgettable pop songs. His one good album, *Band on the Run*, is commendable only because it is so much better than his other

music world. Last I heard, he was playing dairy farmer in upstate New York. It's probably a good thing. His last few albums were embarrassments — unimaginative songs filled with trite clichés. Several years ago he appeared in public with

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lackadaisical efforts, not because it has any particular merit of its own. Silly love songs indeed. Maybe the "Paul is dead" story was just a rumor, but it adequately describes his music these days.

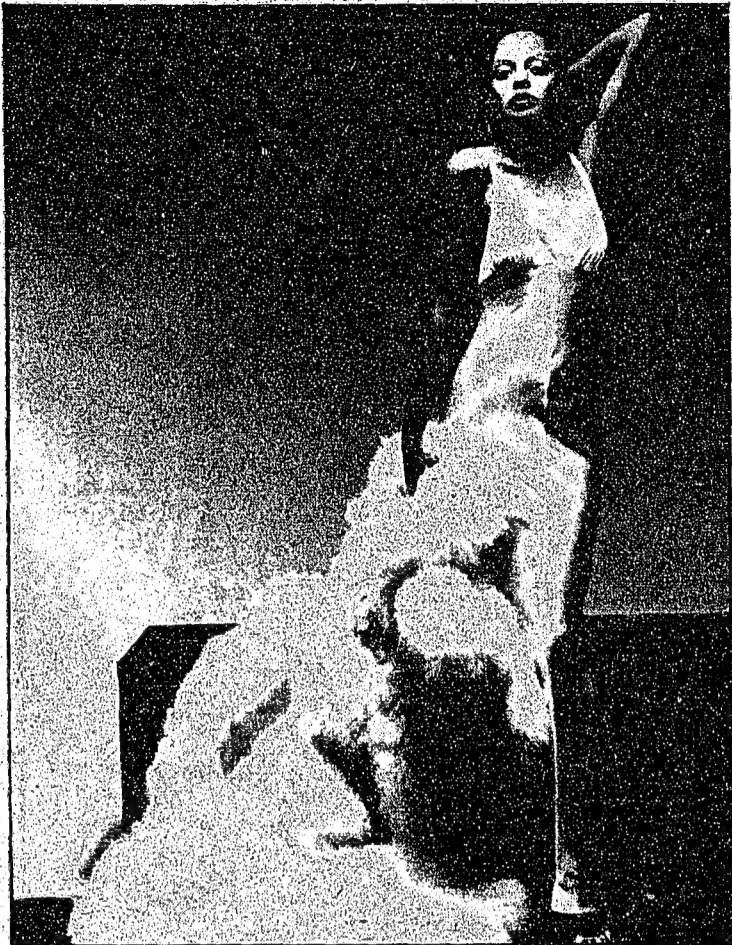
**John:** Potentially the most talented of the group, Lennon has apparently retired from the

a Kotex on his head — a bleeding mind, I guess.

So where do old rock stars go? There are several popular places. Las Vegas, a la Presley, is one. The cemetery, a la many, is another.

Unfortunately, like the ex-Beatles, too many of them overstay their welcome.

—Ray Rogers



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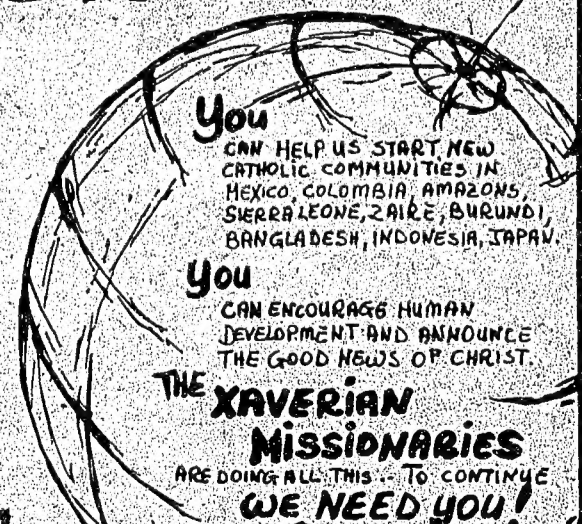


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## up & coming

**NOTICE:** The deadline for Up and Coming announcements to be included in Wednesday's Gateway is 1 p.m. the preceding Friday. The deadline for Friday's Issues is 1 p.m. the Tuesday before. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

The "Flatlanders" exhibit is now on display at the UNO Art Gallery, 133 S. Elmwood Road, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays. The gallery will also be open this Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

University of Colorado biology professor Marc Bekoff will speak on the "Social Biology in Coyotes: Proximate and Ultimate Influences" on Tuesday at 3 p.m. in the Eppley Conference Center Auditorium.

The College of Home Economics will hold a recognition reception tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. in Admin. 101. There will be a special honors presentation at 8 p.m.

The English diagnostic placement test will be given April 14 at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. in CBA 206. Stop by CBA 305 or call ext. 2794 to register.

A Job Readiness Seminar will be held April 11 at 2 p.m. in Room 315 of the Student Center.

Graduating students planning to rent caps and gowns for the May 11 commencement are reminded to reserve their regalia at the Bookstore by April 13.

A junior or senior may have the possibility to work for the Social Security Administration. Contact Linda Stull at 554-2409 for more information.

If you need help organizing research for term papers, call the reference department at the library at 554-2661 to "reserve" a librarian.

Jethro Tull isn't coming to Omaha, but \$10 will get you a bus ride to Lincoln, beer and excellent reserved seats for the April 28 concert. Tickets are available in Room 234 of the Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekdays. Sorry, no checks.

The UNO Young Republicans will meet at 4 p.m. on Sunday in Room 304 of the Student Center. Softball, state convention plans and Founder's Day will be discussed.

Orientation is looking for a student director and 15 student leaders for this summer. Apply for these paid positions in the Orientation Office of the Eppley Bldg. by April 12. For more information call 554-2677.

The Society for Advancement is selling coupon books with a \$27 value for \$1, available in the Student Center and CBA.

A "Summer Employment Fair" will be held April 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Thirty-five Omaha area employers will

discuss full-time and part-time job opportunities with students.

Boyd Littrell will speak on "The Sociology of Knowledge and the Limits of Policy Research" in Room 312A of the Student Center on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Nominations for the Chancellor's medal and the Great Teacher Award will be accepted by the Honors Awards Committee through April 10. Faculty, staff, students and alumni should send nominations to Barbara Miller in CBA 508C.

The Nebraska Choral Arts Society will perform Bach's B Minor Mass on Sunday at 8 p.m. at the UNO Performing Arts Building Auditorium.

You have until 4 p.m. today to: drop a course with a grade of "W"; change a course to "audit" credit; change from CR/NC to grade registration in a course.

Experience South America this summer for seven weeks for free. There will be an informational meeting April 12 at noon and April 16 at 3 p.m. in Room 313 of the Student Center. To find out more about the Ambassador Program contact Rick David in Student Center Room 250.

The Sheldon collection of photographs by Nebraska women will be on display April 7, 8, 14 and 15 at the Western Heritage Museum. The exhibit is free to UNO students with ID.

Linda Stull of Career Development will show films and discuss various employment opportunities for women on April 11 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Women's Resource Center in the Student Center.

The Junior-Level Proficiency examination English composition will be given April 6 at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. in CBA

306 and April 7 at 9 a.m. in CBA 206. Students whose colleges require proficiency in English composition as a prerequisite for graduation are required to take this examination. Stop by CBA 305 or call ext. 2794 to register.

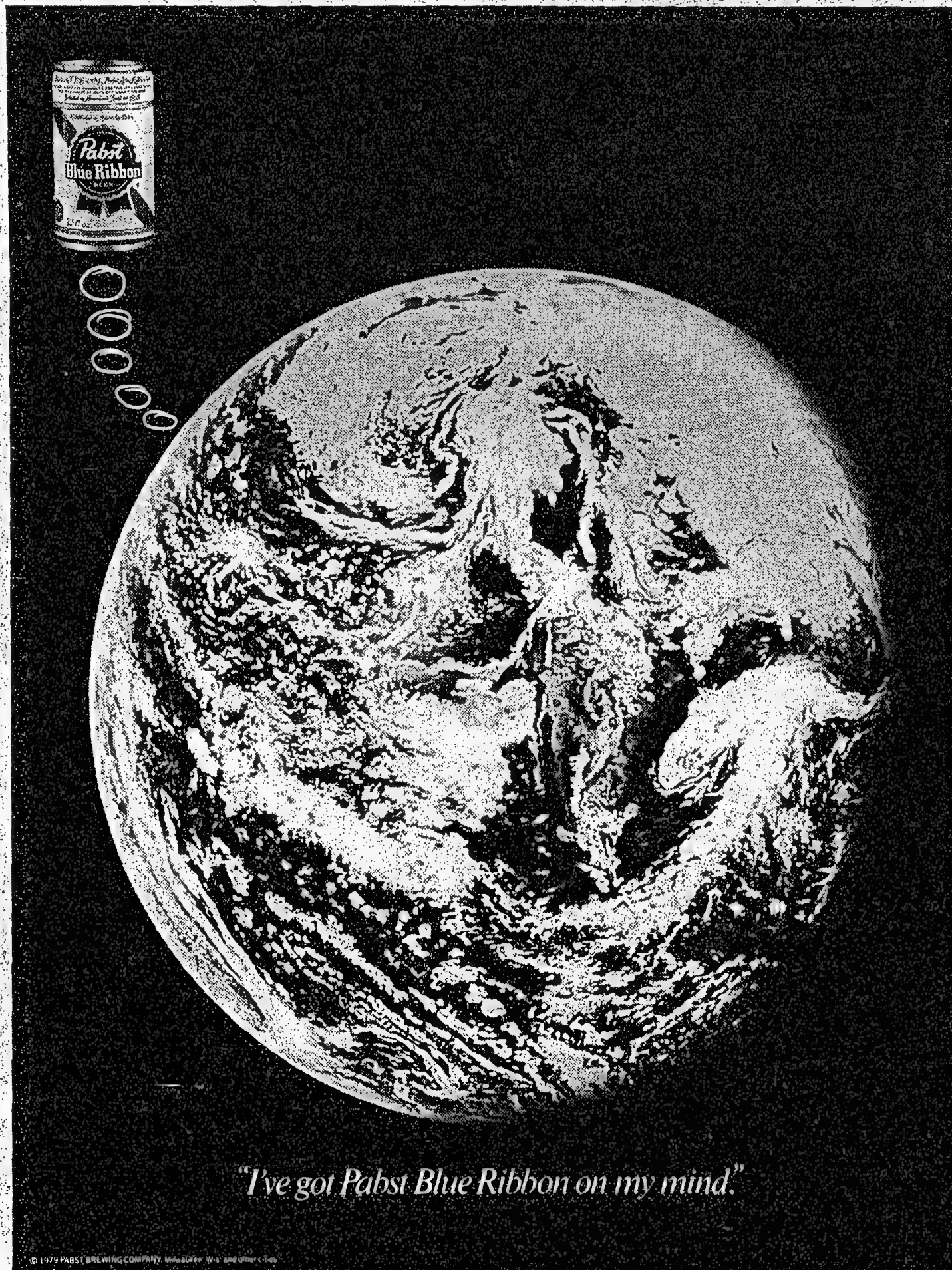
Lots of summer jobs, with more coming in every day, can be applied for at the Part-Time Student Employment Office, in Room 134 of the Student Center. Stop by.

The Irish American Fortnight continues tonight for nearly two weeks in Gross Auditorium at the College of St. Mary. Free programs feature historical and political lectures, actors, craftspersons, singers and more at 8 p.m. nightly. Contact John Tarsney at 397-4000 or 556-8348 for details.

"China's Modernization Campaign and Its International Implications" will be discussed Sunday at 8 p.m. in the CBA auditorium by Dr. Chae-Jin Lee, chairman of the East Asian Languages and Cultures department at the University of Kansas. The public is welcome.

Chae-Jin Lee will conduct workshops on China between 9 and 11 a.m. Monday and at 1 p.m. in the Student Center Room 313. The workshops will be conducted to UNO faculty and students only.

Applications for Outstanding Student Journalists in print news, photojournalism, broadcasting, advertising and public relations are available in Admin. 189. They must be returned by April 11 at noon.



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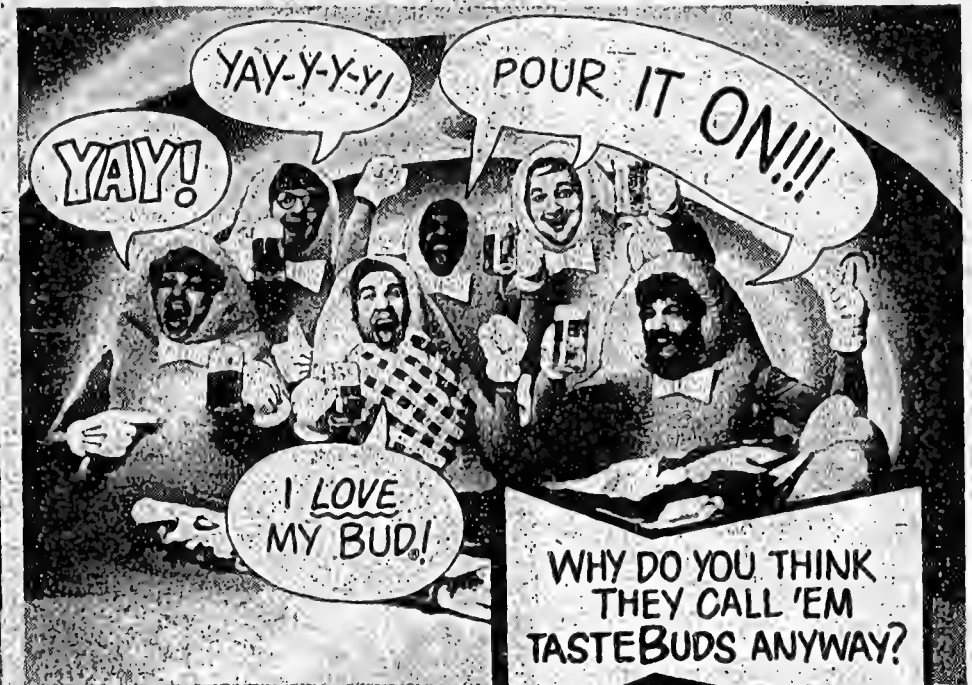
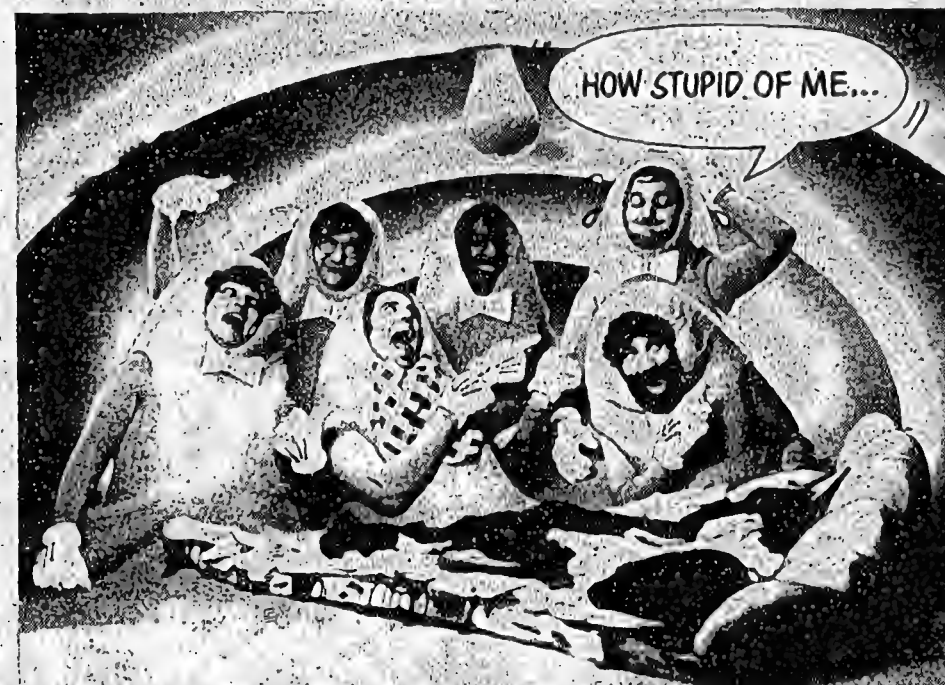
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Former UNO baseball star Bob Herold is a firm believer in the old adage that you can be a kid forever.

"It's a requirement if you're going to be happy," says the 30-year-old Herold, who happens to make his living at playing a kid's game.

You see Herold is a professional baseball player, not in the class (or income bracket) of a Dave Parker or a Pete Rose, but he's among the thousands of unknown players who make up the heart and soul of baseball — the minor leagues.

For six years Herold has chased the elusive dream of donning a major league uniform and going out to perform in front of 50,000 screaming fans. Instead he's had to be content playing in the minors jumping from town to town playing before small and sometimes hostile crowds.

During those six years he's played in just about every corner of the United States from Virginia to California. But of all the places the former two-time All-American has played none has been more unusual than his most recent experience that took him to Mexico.

"It's a whole different type of ball down there," says Herold about the Mexican style of baseball. "All of the players are hot dogs. There are some super ball players down there, but most guys just do everything for fan appeal. The Mexican fans are baseball fanatics, because a baseball game to them is a real festive occasion."

### Mexican fans react

Another difference Herold noticed, during his four-month stint in the Mexican Winter league, was how the fans react to the players' mistakes.

"I'll never forget the first time I stuck-out in Mexico," says Herold, who incidentally was the only American on the team. "When you strike out in the States the fans usually just yell at you and call you a bum, but in Mexico when you strike out the fans shower you with peanuts and cigarettes and they really start getting all over you. Being from a different culture it's something that really takes getting used to."

Being the only one on the team that spoke English also presented problems for Herold. "When I went down there I thought I could really concentrate on what I was doing because I wouldn't be able to understand what anyone was saying," said Herold. "But actually you're kind of at the mercy, because you don't understand how your own manager views you."

Not being familiar with the Mexican way of life Herold often ran into problems with the clashing cultural backgrounds of the two countries. Especially with the heavy Mexican diet which Herold said wasn't conducive to staying in shape, and the country's low standard of living.

"The standard of living is so much different," says Herold. "Living in Mexico helps you realize the things you take for granted here are really good compared to any place else in the world."

Despite all the problems, Herold said he really enjoyed his stay in Mexico, but then quickly added that he was "glad to come home."

Due to contract problems, that return home occurred a few weeks ahead of schedule.

### Early return

After helping his team clinch the league pennant a couple of weeks before the end of the season, Herold decided to return to Omaha in time for Christmas. His early departure has aided by the fact that towards the end of the season he was starting to lose money on his Mexican paychecks.

"When I first came down to Mexico I signed a dollar contract with the team," says Herold. "But towards the end of the season the money exchange was starting to go into the favor of the peso instead of the dollar. Since I was paid in dollars I started losing a couple hundred bucks on my checks and they weren't making up the difference. So I decided to come home early."

Apparently there were no hard feelings with the team management over his early departure because he was invited back to play this spring. But Herold isn't so sure he wants to return just yet.

During the off-season he received an offer to come to Panama this spring, but so far neither team has offered him enough money to make him want to return to Latin America.

"If they don't want to pay me enough money to play down there I don't want to go, because there's only so far you can go without cutting your nose off to spite your face," says Herold.

### Considerations

"Baseball's fun, but you got other considerations to think about. You only play baseball about three hours a day so that leaves 21 hours a day to yourself. So when you're the only one that speaks English in a foreign country it can be rough to find things to do in your spare time."

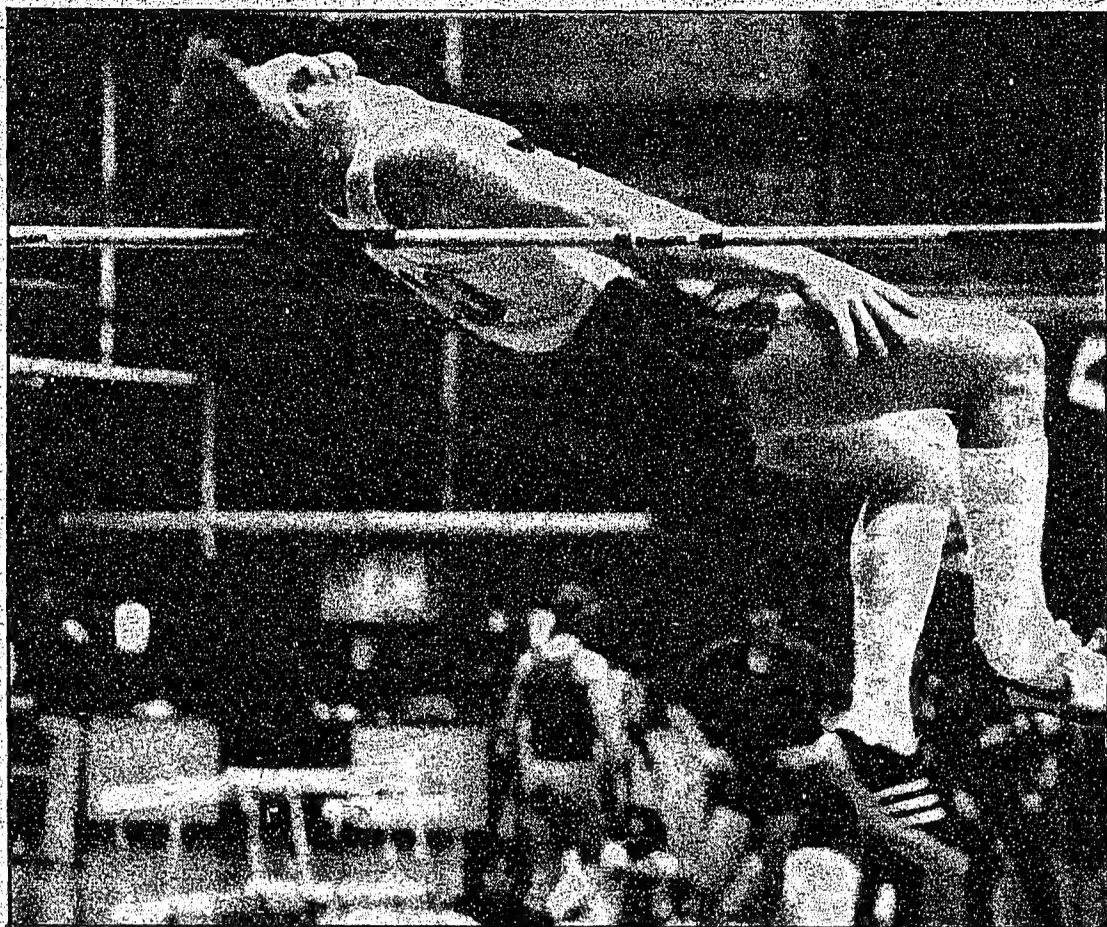
If he doesn't return south of the border to play baseball this summer, one thing's for sure — he'll be playing baseball somewhere in the States. Be it with a minor league team or a semi-pro squad.

"I just can't stay home in the summer time," says Herold. "I've been playing baseball for the past 12 or 13 summers so I don't see any reason to stop now."

And the graduate of Omaha Cathedral High School, who hopes to make a career of coaching college baseball, doesn't see an end to his summer flings in the near future.

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# SPORTS



DAN BICE... UNO's freshman high jumper is one of the Mavericks strongest suits.

## If thin areas can gain weight Mav's track squad will benefit

By MIKE KOHLER

Gateway Sports Writer

UNO Track Coach Don Patton said he expects a good outdoor season while describing his squad, however, as "maybe a little thin."

The Mav's indoor season featured many individual standouts and a strong second-place finish in the North Central Conference Championships, providing clear justification for Patton's favorable prediction.

Also, the "thin" areas seem likely to gain weight, said Patton, because of two things: 1) the Mav staff anticipates a successful recruiting season with "kids coming from all over," and 2) Patton has some blue-chip redshirts on the burners.

Kent Van Briesen leads the 100-meter dash crew, followed by junior Dave Smith and freshman jump specialist Terry Armitage. Sophomores Mark Kelley and Tom Pawol, high hurdles, and senior Rick English, 400-meter intermediates, are the only hurdlers Patton has on hand.

The 200 and 400-meter runs are question marks and may possibly go without Mav entrants. Patton said he doesn't like to run athletes just for the sake of having entrants because it throws off the athlete's timing.

The 800-meter run, however, is loaded with prospects, particularly if senior All-American Steve Jones can shake the injury jinx which has plagued him this year. Freshman Craig Thomas, junior Craig Johnson, and junior Mark Purdy, who tied for the fastest indoor 600-yard run in Division II this year, will also run the 800-meters.

### Jones healthy

If healthy, Jones will join senior Dave Hodgins and junior John Labenz in the 1,500-meter run. Labenz and freshman Charlie Paden will tackle a new assignment, the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

During the outdoor season, the 5,000 and 10,000-meter runs will be added attractions, too. Sophomore Jim Hall heads the 5,000-meter candidates, and junior All-American Wade Thomson takes on the 10,000-meter chores. Senior Tim Hall, a transfer from Drake, is the Mavs' premier miler.

The steeplechase and the long runs aren't the only events added to the outdoor card. The discus and javelin throws are regularly scheduled events in open-air meets, and UNO's inexperience may show in those areas. Freshman Roe Martin will divide his shot-putting time with the

discus throw, assisted by freshman Mike Williams in the discus and sophomore Tim Weber in the shot. Junior Monroe Evans will give the javelin a fling.

The Mavs' strongest suit is probably the corps of jumpers. Van Briesen joins fellow freshman Dan Bice, a 7-0 jumper, and Kelley in the high jump. Bice, Armitage, and Rory Cobbs, who had Division II's fourth best mark, 48-9, give the Mavs formidable triple-jumping power. The same group provides strength in the broad jump.

The Mavs are impressive in the pole vault, boasting freshman stalwarts Brad Miller, Mark Geist, and Tim Connors. Miller set a new UNO record during the indoor season.

### SDS chief obstacle

Patton sees South Dakota State middle and long-distance running as the Mavs' chief obstacle in outdoor conference competition. "We would like to offset their distance running with our field events," said the first-year coach, adding, "we will jump as many entries as there are positions."

While Patton currently relies on his field athletes to carry a heavy burden, he said next year the burden should be lighter. Patton said UNO has about five good hurdlers on the horizon, including a pair of the aforementioned blue-chippers. The former Bellevue mentor, who seems to be eternally recruiting, has his eye on a number of area prepsters, including some talented Bellevue youngsters.

Patton's recruiting web has stretched as far west as San Diego and as far east as New Jersey, with points between like Edmonton, Okla., Smithville, Mo., and Grand Island, Lincoln and rural Nebraska communities.

The UNO Invitational, to be held at Burke High, highlights the outdoor season's opening week. Nebraska-Lincoln and other Big Eight schools will send representatives to the April meet.

Renovations are under way to prepare Caniglia Field for the season's team competition finale, the NCC Outdoor Championships scheduled for May 11-12.

The track is being converted to metric measurements to allow runners to qualify for the national tournament. Among the events rarely seen in the area in the steeplechase event, which features a water jump. Also, workers are already preparing and remodeling jumping pits and hurdles for the meet.



Why drive yourself to the point of exhaustion?

# Inaugural run proves thrilling, exhilarating

By KATHY SLATTERY  
Gateway Assistant Editor

*"Why drive yourself to the point of exhaustion? Why pound your feet to bloody stumps? Why pretend pain is good for you? Why terrorize entire communities by thundering around the streets in massive, unruly, grunting herds?"*

Thus "The Non-runner's Book" authors Vic Ziegel and Lewis Grossberger view marathons. Skeptical of their sarcastic opinion, this Gateway staffer entered Omaha's first exclusive run for women, a 5,000 meter (3.1 mile) mini-marathon held Saturday near Westside High School.

My objective was to finish the race (my first) and have a good time, which didn't seem unreasonable goals for an amateur who'd run periodically for four years. But were those noontime jaunts at the Fieldhouse adequate preparation? Too late to wonder, the 10 a.m. gunshot signaled me as the race commenced.

Three-hundred and sixty women of all ages started "The Lady Runner," which was co-sponsored by SportsTreds, the

YWCA and the Plains Track Club. Our trek began on a slight incline between 87th and 84th Streets along Pacific Street.

Excited, sensing others' anticipation, my legs propelled me steadily east past comfortable ranch homes, conquering the most awesome hill we'd encounter during the race (thank heavens).

"One way school days," a black and white sign proclaimed at Ridgewood Ave., where we were directed to head south. Oblivious to chuckholes along the narrow, residential road, my spirits rose as officials cried out times of eight minutes, 43 seconds at the one-mile mark. A mile already! Only a flat route, described as "fast and friendly" on my entry form, remained.

My friend Sharon was suddenly in view, her auburn hair bobbing rhythmically to her pace. We ran silently together, concentrating on our breathing as we passed photographers and spectators. An encouraging pat on the back, and we were off on our own again.

A blue and white building caught my attention — Jirka's Auto Service Center was con-

ducting business as usual at its Center Street location. Emission fumes from the busy thoroughfare were immediately evident as we runners made our way west.

Vehicles slowed as partolmen directed them. Passengers gazed at the passing women clad in gray sweats, coordinated running suits and colorful shoes. Faces were red; panting was strong. It seemed much hotter than 38 degrees. One woman discarded a white and brown stocking cap, which a man watching from a Fotomat rescued after he cheered her to persevere.

## Mental boost

My perseverance was wearing down. Tired and winded, my hands clenched, determined. What my body needed to continue, even at a snail's pace was a mental boost.

About a block later, at 88th and Center Streets, fortification came in the form of my friend Patti, who works at the Southwest Bank. "Keep going, Kathi!" she called, receiving a weak smile in return. Larry, Perry and Gary couldn't have been more welcome.

Runners sometimes say their sport clears their minds or gives them a mental "high." At this point, my thoughts struggled to reach the height of "one foot ahead of the other."

"Back up!" a race official on a blue 10-speed bike shouted to drivers lined up at Arbor Street's four-way stop. "There's about 200 more behind these!" Good grief — 200!?

With a feeble trot, my legs carried me past women who'd stopped to walk. Ahead, finally, was a brown brick building which one blonde excitedly identified as Westside. All right!

My thoughts went to the poem about the blue engine that proclaimed, "I think I can — I think I can!" Neighbors and spectators gathered to watch the last few blocks of the run, encouraging us as we passed by.

Newsweek 7 was setting up equipment as we entered the school property. The finish area and bluffs of spectators were in sight. Women around me were solemn, concentrating. My limbs ached and my lungs felt huge, breathing, breathing, breathing.

"Go, Kathi!" broke my silent concentration. There was Dave, our photographer. He was yelling, inspiring me to quicken my pace. Yes, yes! It felt good to sprint, but it was necessary for me to slow 20 yards later.

A fellow runner wearing a navy sweatshirt said, "only a little more," and we entered the finishing area together.

God, it was great! Men and kids lined the school's track, shouting and clapping. The camaraderie between fellow runners and the spectators made the last yards cake, even

at a quicker pace.

"You did it!"

Officials gave out times and finish places — 28:59 and 155 for this kid. It was thrilling and exhilarating to be one of the 356 who completed the run. Sharon joined me and we hugged. Around us, children clutched their mothers; one man embraced a runner and exclaimed, "You did it!"

Happy faces filled the field as women stretched out; several were from UNO. Mary Williamson, a communications professor, finished 309th. Her first race since she began running last summer was "entirely fulfilling," said the UNO faculty member who placed fourth in her age division.

Frank Perrone, race director, said the majority of participants had a good time, but "a few vocal minorities" expressed dissatisfaction with the relatively short length of the race and also its name.

Although "The Lady Runner" was meant to give women a "taste of running" on a low-key basis, Perrone said, "some of them really were out for blood."

Next year's race and possibly one of the same distance this fall, he said, will be less competitive with all entrants eligible for prizes to be given away in a drawing. "Companionship and running with others" is the purpose of this type of race, Perrone said. "There's enough others (at greater distances) for serious runners."

By the way, 13-year-old Karlene Erickson, who our Sports Editor calls "Olympic material," won the event (19:32). If the other finishers felt as this amateur, they considered themselves winners as well.



ANTICIPATION MOUNTS... as 'The Lady Runner' begins.

Dave Banks

## El Beisbol...

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"The Lord gave me the talent to hit a baseball and I'm going to use it," says Herold, who stole 51 bases and hit 31 home runs last summer playing in Boulder, Colo.

"There wasn't another player in the league that was within 50 points of my batting average. So if I can continue to produce like that I don't see any reason why I should give up playing."

For the remarkably young looking Herold, baseball has become more and more fun with each passing year. The day it stops being fun is the day he says he'll hang up his glove, but until then, it's play ball.

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# Spring practice begins for 94 Maverick gridgers

By AL ALEXANDER  
Gateway Sports Editor

The Dallas Cowboys at UNO's Al Caniglia Field next fall?

No not really the Cowboys, but if things go as UNO Head Football Coach Sandy Buda plans the Mavericks' offense will bear a strong resemblance to the Super Bowl runners-up complex offensive formations.

Experimenting with the Cowboys' multiple offense is just one of the many new things Buda hopes to install in his Mavericks repertoire during the next four weeks of Spring football drills.

The pre-season practice, which got underway this week with 94 hopefuls reporting, will continue on through the month and will climax on April 28 in the annual red-white intra-squad football game set for 7:30 that night at Caniglia Field.

As opposed to last year when he first arrived on the UNO campus, Buda will have a veteran team to work with.

Thirty-four letterman return off last year's 8-3 squad that advanced all the way into the NCAA Division II playoffs. Of the 34 monogram winners, nine were offensive starters last season and eight started on defense. With such an experienced squad, Buda feels he can afford a little time this spring to experiment with some new things.

#### Experiments

"Experimenting is what spring practice is all about," says Buda. "We hope to experiment with some players at different positions and with some new offensive wrinkles to see if our players can handle them."

"We don't plan to make many changes defensively, but we hope to beef up our running game on offense and experi-

ment with a lot of shifts and motion-kind of like the Dallas Cowboys. When you pass a lot, like our team likes to do, it's to our advantage to get the defenses to move around."

Indeed the Mavs love to pass. The entire bomb squad of quarterback Mike Mancuso and receivers Joe Noonan, Kurt R. Anderson and Ed Llenaugh which teamed up last year to lead the North Central conference in passing will return in tact.

Also aiding the passing game will be the Mavericks' ground attack led by two-year letterman Bob Bass at tailback and Tim Conway at fullback.

The only offensive weakness for the Mavericks will be at offensive tackle where Buda feels the Mavs will need a large improvement. If his squad is to again contend for the NCC title. Overall, Buda feels there is good depth in the offensive unit.

"Depth isn't a problem for us this year," says Buda. "We've got a lot more players this year that we feel can help us, although we could use a little more depth at tackle and fullback."

#### Defensive line strung

With the line being the major question mark on offense, that's not the case on defense as Buda feels the defensive line is the Mavericks' biggest asset.

The entire front five of ends Mike Williams and Bob Danenhauer; tackles Frank Zitnik and John Small and nose guard Tom Boyer return to present an ominous obstacle to opposing linemen.

Backing up the line will be a veteran crew of linebackers, led by All-NCC choice Tom Sutko, who was named by his teammates as last season linebacker of the year. He will be backed up by last year's Shrine Bowl standout Tata Machado from

Creighton Prep.

At the other linebacker spot is Barry Leif, who saw action in eight games last season playing behind Brian Martin. He will be pressed for the starting assignment by Brent Harris, who is returning off a knee injury that caused him to miss the entire 1978 campaign.

If the defense has a weakness it will be at both safety spots due to the loss of All-NCC performers Rod Kush and Tony Smagacz. Starting out in the top spot on the depth chart will be Tim Ward and Mark Schlencht, who also doubles as the Mavericks' punter and place kicker.

Being of such value to the team, Buda has some reservations about Schlencht playing and risking an injury to his leg. "Mark wants to play," says a concerned Buda. "He's got the ability so I've got to risk him. If he's the best one at the position."

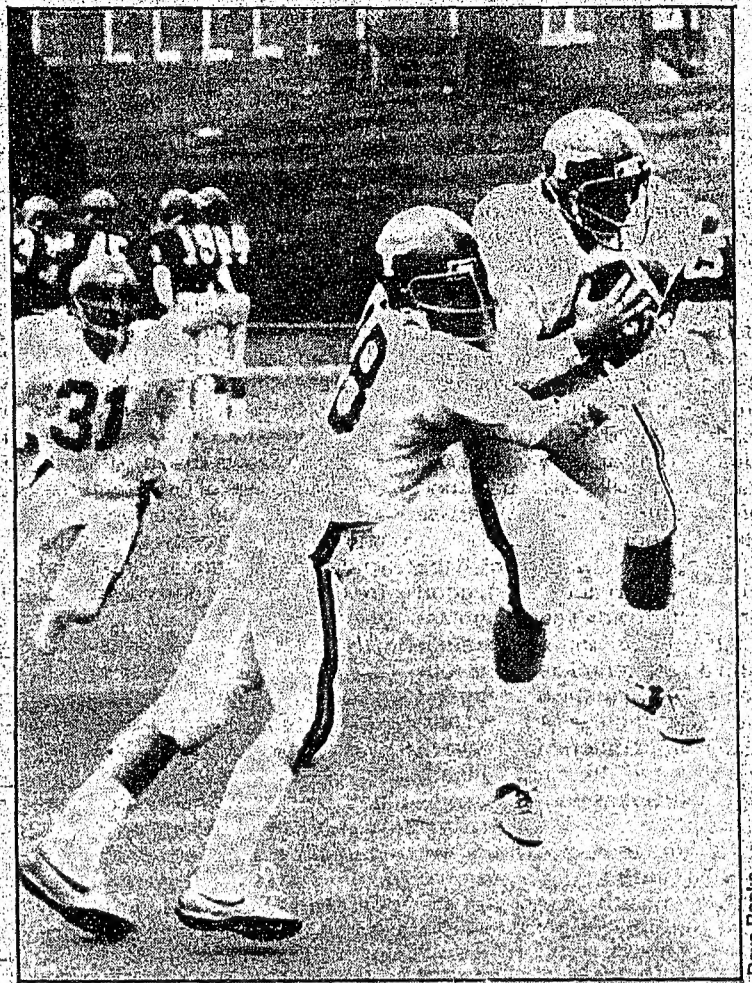
Filling out the top defensive unit are veteran cornerbacks Paul Bryant and Dan Severa, who are both short on height but long on speed.

#### Ahead of last year

With so many starters back this spring Buda feels his program is way ahead of last year. "Our players are stronger and faster than a year ago," says Buda. "We timed all of our players this winter and almost unanimously their times were improved over last year."

One reason the players are in much better shape is because of a special physical education course the squad went through this past winter. The class, which was called Weight Training and Body Conditioning, entailed seven weeks of lifting weights and four weeks of running.

Although the Mavs are in excellent physical shape, Buda



Dave Banks

FOOTBALL IN APRIL?....Hard hitting was evident throughout the week as UNO opened spring football practice.

places more emphasis on hitting in the spring than on conditioning.

"We place a little more emphasis on contact drills and scrimmaging in the spring so we can see who can play," says Buda. "We like to scrimmage more in the spring because we can't afford to do it in the fall. There just isn't enough time in the fall, plus you can't risk an injury in the fall like you can in the spring."

Recently a lot has been said

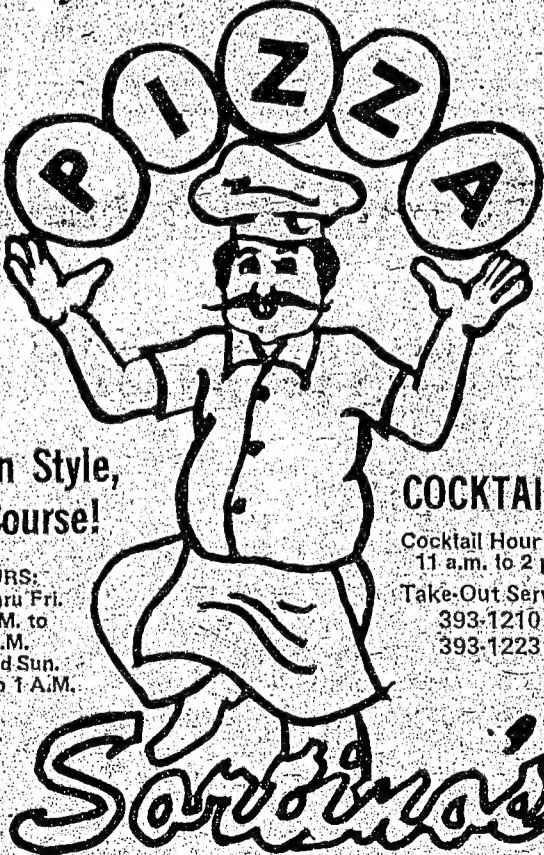
about the necessity of spring practice, but Buda feels it is beneficial to both the player and the football fan.

"The people that pay money to see a football game want to see quality," says Buda. "The more you do something the better quality it's going to be. If everybody else (all the other nations colleges) decided to do away with spring practice that's fine, but as long as everybody's doing it we'll continue to do it and make our product better."

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# UNO baseballers shelled by NMU

By PETE DESJARDINS  
Gateway Sports Writer

After eight games, the UNO baseball team's biggest asset seems to be pitching. Unfortunately, pitching is also the Mavs' biggest question mark. Maverick hurlers gave up just eight runs in their first four games, but got shelled for 31 runs in their last three outings, as the Mavs ended a week-long stay in Albuquerque, NM with a 3-5 record.

Mike Fantaski was nothing short of fantastic, and barely short of perfect, against Southeast Oklahoma. He two-hit Southeast Oklahoma and fanned seven to give UNO its first win.

The Mavs scored the only run they needed in the second inning, when Dave Poulcek scored on an error after knocking a three-bagger. UNO added an insurance run in the third, when Rich Shefte knocked in Mark Mancuso with a triple. UNO dropped the first game of the twin bill, losing to Southwest Missouri, 4-2.

Tim Hartigan, not to be outdone by Fantaski's antics, came back and fired a no-hitter, striking out 10 against Southeast Missouri.

Hartigan, a sophomore, walked just four batters in his gem, allowing the Mavs to split the doubleheader, winning 11-0. Mark Martinez, Rich Shefte and Randy Shoults were hitting stars, driving in three runs apiece.

UNO lost the opener 4-2 after coming back to tie the game, 2-2. Southeast Missouri came back with two runs in the seventh inning to ice the contest.

The University of New Mexico played host to the Mavs for a four-game series, and it meant nothing but bad news and astronomical ERA's for UNO pitchers. New Mexico romped 11-1 in the first game of the series, tagging starter Lyle Simmons for eight runs in the first three innings. Bob Billinger was the only Maverick to cross the plate in the defeat.

Friday's double-header was no different as New Mexico tattooed UNO pitchers for 19 hits and 14 runs in a 14-5 fiasco.

# UNL toumey awaits Lady Mavs

Nebraska's "spring" weather struck two blows as the women's softball team had to postpone a pair of double-headers.

If things dry out and warm up enough, a big weekend awaits the Lady Mavericks in Lincoln as the Husker Invitational begins today.

The Lady Mavs open at 11:30 this morning with Emporia in the first round of the 14-team, double-elimination tourney. Should UNO win, it will take on the Missouri Western-Wayne State winner at 5:45 this afternoon.

The Lady Mavs, who are 4-5, were idled by wet grounds Sunday when a twin bill with Creighton was called off. Tuesday's snow remnants in Lincoln forced a halt to that planned pair. Make-up dates are still pending.

How did UNO come up with four wins and five losses? A trip to Oklahoma produced a 1-4 mark. The Lady Mavs finished 1-2 in the Sooner Invitational prior to dropping close games to Indiana and Oklahoma.

But UNO had captured three of its last four games, including last Friday's sweep over South Dakota. Wayne State dropped

an 8-1 game before rallying for a 5-0 win in the home opener March 28. Then, two days later, USD fell by scores of 3-2 and 6-0.

Carla Fitzpatrick evened her record to 3-3 by picking up both wins over South Dakota. She also poked five straight singles in seven at-bats.

In the opener against USD,

freshman Mary Beaver's first collegiate hit was a big one: A two-run single in the fourth which gave UNO its winning runs.

The Lady Mavs have three home dates next week. Northwest Missouri travels for a pair at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Tarkio arrives Wednesday night at 6 and the first alumni game is set for Saturday at 1 p.m.

## SPORT SHORTS

### Women's Tennis

Don't let the weather fool ya. The women's tennis team has been outdoors on a couple of occasions.

Tomorrow Janet Powell's backhanders take their 1-1 record against Creighton and Kearney in a triangular meet at Dewey Park.

Northwest Missouri fell to the Lady Mavs 8-2 last Saturday at Dewey. Sophomore Maureen Cronin, sophomore Liz McCormick, junior Mary Armstrong and freshman Rose Foster posted wins in singles, while Cronin and Armstrong and McCormick and Foster teamed to capture

### wins in doubles.

### Intramural Weekend

The first North Central Conference Intramural Sports Weekend is planned for April 21-22 in Brookings, S.D. on the campus of the University of South Dakota.

Twelve men and 12 women students will be selected at random to represent UNO at the event. The cost of the two-day event will be a dollar per person. All other expenses will be paid by the athletic department.

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LOST LADIES GOLD WATCH in Administration Bldg. during Blackout. Valuable to me, fat reward for you. Call Angela at 339-3290 or 391-9199.

LUTHOR: You're so dumb you think the Phantom Zone was a show hosted by Rod Serling. Superman lives!!! Kal-El-lujahll Thor-Ax.

SCOTT, where have you been lately? We would love to see you soon — maybe at the big "K" . . . The Dynamic Duo, Sarah and Mary.

NEED A PLACE FOR PASSOVER SEDAR (1, 2 or both)? Call Gary UNO Hiller, 656-3456, weekdays or Sundays for placement.

AK-SAR-BEN PARKING ACCIDENT March 14th. Any witnesses or driver hitting copper Toyota please call 731-5946. Driver's note with name and phone number blew away.

HEY BINK!! Happy 22nd! This one's for you and looks like you'll make it. The Kid, CJK: Please visit Omaha — this town can use a man like you! The Omahan.

CATHOLICS — come to St. Margaret Mary's Church for a "mid-week lit" by joining the group of UNO students, faculty and friends for Mass on Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at noon.

FOUND: A class ring, in the Admin. Bldg., on the third floor. Call ext. 2797 to identify and claim.

WELCOME HOME Daddy!!! 4-10-79.

Love your girls Kathy, Kristie and Kerry.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ROLLER SKATING PARTY, Thursday, April 19, 8-10 p.m. at Cheapskate (90th & Maple). Get your tickets in advance (\$1.50) from Bob Miller — 554-2294.

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1. Knowledge or skill that helps you convince employers that you're an excellent job prospect. a. Can be easily gained to ensure you get a good job. b. Can and should be gained at UNO by applying for a position with S.P.O. If applicant is confident, a self-motivator, intelligent, and enjoys to work with big-name rock bands, movies, and any or all talented acts and speakers. c. Just apply in room 234, M.B.S.C. on or before April 18. Get Experience . . . It's Fun!

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